



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY  
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**Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**Consent Agenda**

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 9:00 AM**

**Consent Calendar Meeting - Third Set**

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**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DESIREE LYNN TATE**

**WHEREAS**, Desiree Lynn Tate was born on May 8, 1956 in Chicago, Illinois to Bertha and Oscar Tate; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was the sixth child and only daughter of Bertha and Oscar Tate, who, before their treasured daughter was born, had had five sons: Bob, Raynard, Pete, Freddie and Greg Tate; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was born and raised in the Washington Park community and was a proud graduate of Lindblom Math and Science Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree went on to graduate from Indiana University and earn an MBA from DePaul University; and

**WHEREAS**, while Desiree began her career in the corporate world, she was soon drawn to the social and political issues of the time, namely the representation and empowerment of Chicago's African American community; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1982, she volunteered on Congressman Harold Washington's historic mayoral campaign and, determined, dove into critical community work, one that would see Harold Washington victorious on April 12, 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, she was one of a select few volunteers that Mayor Washington would bring along to City Hall, where she held posts in special events and scheduling all while expecting her first and only child, Ashley Tate, born in September of 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree worked diligently for the late Mayor Washington at the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco in support of the Rev. Jesse Jackson's presidential bid; and

**WHEREAS**, during the convention she made Harold Washington's Community Development program a center part of the DNC platform by brilliantly bringing together competing interests; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, Desiree was a relentless volunteer for Barack Obama's presidential campaign and rejoiced in his historic victory and re-election in 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, she also worked as a senior advisor to U.S. Senator Carol Moseley Braun, served as counselor to Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel, and most important, continuously mentored the next

generation of young bright minds to become powerful leaders in their own right; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree worked tirelessly for education, the desegregation of public schools, and school improvement initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, she inspired thousands of parents to get involved in their children's education through her Power of Parents initiative, for which she organized conferences and mentored parents; and

**WHEREAS**, she was actively engaged with Rainbow PUSH, the Chicago Urban League, the Woodlawn Organization, and Breakthrough Urban Ministries; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree was an extraordinary businesswoman, civic leader, dedicated friend, and a Cook County resident who selflessly made extraordinary contributions to improve the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Desiree Lynn Tate passed away on May 28, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, is survived by her beloved daughter Ashley, numerous family members, godchildren, friends and colleagues; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the residents of Cook County, hereby offer its deepest condolences and most heartfelt sympathy to the family of Desiree Lynn Tate and honor the life and memory of this outstanding Cook County resident.

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**Sponsored by:** BRIDGET GAINER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING EAST LAKE VIEW NEIGHBORS AND THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION**

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors' is a community organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life in the neighborhood through active citizenship, fostering a sense of community and charitable works; and,

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors' boundaries stretch from Addison Street north to Irving Park, and from Clark Street east to Lake Michigan; and,

**WHEREAS**, East Lake View Neighbors meets monthly to discuss community happenings, including new business openings, public safety, volunteer opportunities and more; and,

**WHEREAS**, 13 residents comprise of East Lake View Neighbors' Board of Directors, who are pulled

from a cross-section of the community, including residents, business owners, and employees; and,

**WHEREAS**, on September 23, 2018, East Lake View Neighbors will host its 20th annual 'Oktoberfest' celebration; and,

**WHEREAS**, roughly 300 neighbors attend the annual event at Murphy's Bleachers on 3655 N Sheffield Ave, and the event raises money for the local community; and,

**WHEREAS**, for \$30, attendees enjoy Oktoberfest Beer, Wine, and Sodas, a Pig Roast, Grilled Chicken, Grilled Vegetables & Brats, German Potato Salad & Dessert as well as the chance to win many prizes at the silent auction; and,

**WHEREAS**, Auction items in a number of price ranges are available, with past items including Sports, Concert & Theater tickets, rooftop baseball game passes, autographed sports memorabilia, spa services, museum tours, boat cruises, restaurant & pet care gift certificates, jewelry, & many more.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby honors East Lake View Neighbors for its continuous work to improve the lives of East Lake View residents and wishes the organization a successful 20th annual Oktoberfest celebration. Prost!

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**Sponsored by:** DENNIS DEER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

#### **HONORING COACH ROBERT "RAHIM" BISBEE 13TH ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL AND BASKETBALL CLINIC**

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday August 11, 2018 Coach Robert "Rahim" Bisbee hosted the 13h Annual Moran Park Back to School and Basketball Clinic which has served over 5,000 youth to date; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee was raised on 57th Aberdeen and his love for the Englewood community has allowed him to work with young people on and off the basketball court across the City of Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee attended Tilden High School and is a former member of the Illinois Army National Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Bisbee has been employed by the Chicago Park District for 22 years and is an active union steward with SEIU Local 73 where he currently serves as Park Supervisor at Homan Square in the North Lawndale community; and

**WHEREAS**, Coach Bisbee is a champion, leader and mentor to youth from the Englewood community and Chicago at large

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that President Toni Preckwinkle and Cook County Board of Commissioners, and on behalf of the 5.2 million residents of Cook County do hereby congratulate Coach Robert "Rahim" Bisbee on the occasion of its 13th Anniversary and for the important and commendable service and leadership it provides to youth and young adults.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a suitable copy of this resolution be spread upon the official proceeding of this Honorable Body and a ceremonial copy be given to Coach Robert Bisbee in commemoration of this auspicious occasion.